

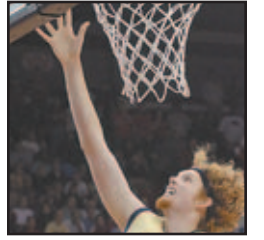
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With elections nearing, presidential debates capture Tech's attention.

Crickey! Is that booing you hear? No...it's "Luuuuuuuuke," the center from Down Under.



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## Clough to deliver State of Institute

Institute President Wayne Clough will deliver his annual State of the Institute Address Tuesday, Oct. 12 at 11 a.m. in the Student Center Ballroom. Clough will recap the year's achievements and present his plans for Tech's future.

## Buzz celebrates 25th birthday

Tech's official mascot, Buzz, will celebrate his 25th birthday Friday, Oct. 15. All are invited for free food, music and roaming entertainment in Bobby Dodd Stadium starting at 7:30 p.m. Fireworks will begin at 9:15 p.m.

## GT SMART, APD launch hotline

GTSMART and the Atlanta Police Department are forming a partnership to curb underage drinking.

The GTSMART Tip Hotline will "allow concerned citizens to anonymously report establishments suspected of serving alcohol to minors and intoxicated persons," according to a Tech press release.

According to Atlanta Police Chief Richard Pennington, underage drinking costs citizens \$517 million in medical care costs and loss of work in Georgia every year. The APD and GTSMART hope that the hotline's anonymity will encourage more people to report illegal alcohol sales.



By Jamie Howell / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

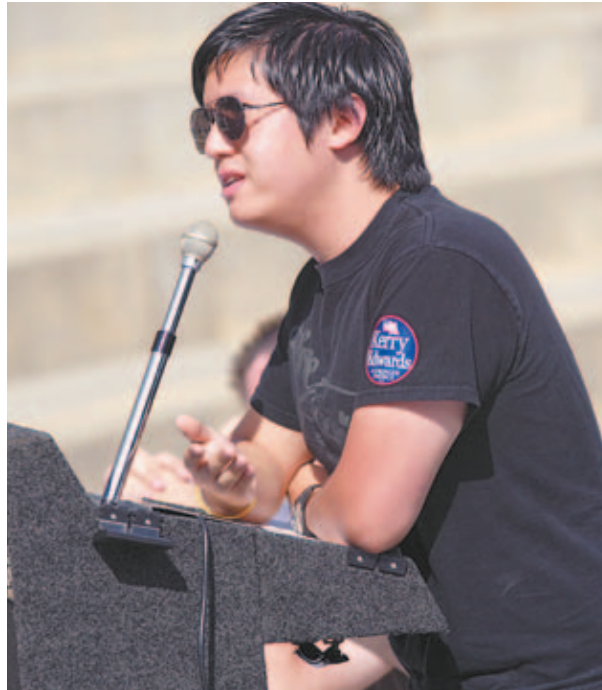
## Good Day Atlanta hosts pep rally

Early last Friday morning, local TV network FOX 5 WAGA filmed a group of Tech students and cheerleaders rallying school spirit for last Saturday's Miami game. Fans gathered at the Campanile at 7 a.m. to be filmed live for the channel's *Good Day Atlanta* morning show.



By Emily Tate / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

**Celebrating Diversity:** Georgia Tech Coming Out Week (GTCOW) featured several events on campus this week, including Monday's kick-off fair on Skiles Walkway (above). GTCOW also sponsored a debate on gay marriage on Tuesday. Luigi Montanez of the College Democrats speaks to the crowd gathered at the Campanile.



By Jamie Howell / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

## Bush names Clough to science post

By Inn Inn Chen  
Contributing Writer

President George W. Bush announced the nomination of Institute President Wayne Clough to a position on the National Science Board (NSB) on Sept. 23.

The nomination must still be approved by the Senate and National Science Foundation Director Arden Bement Jr.

At this point, there is still not a determined schedule for when the U.S. Senate will take up the nomination.

The NSB currently has 24 members, and Clough is one of the current eight nominees for the board. The appointment is for 6 years; it will last until May 10, 2010.

The NSB was established by Congress in 1950 to oversee the programs of the National Science Foundation (NSF) and to provide advice to both the president and Congress on issues dealing with science and technology.

According to Sean Selman, Tech's media relations specialist, the nomination serves as a "good indication of the faith that a lot of government officials put in Georgia Tech and the opinions of our faculty and staff."

If Clough is on the board, he will



Photo courtesy of ICPA

Institute President Wayne Clough with President Bush in 2002.

play a role in setting the agenda of the NSF over the next few decades and will also help decide how money for different related programs will be allocated.

The board meets about six times a year, which should not greatly affect Clough's schedule and duties here on campus.

It could only serve to help Tech, according to Selman. He said the appointment is a "benefit for Georgia Tech because President Clough will be involved in the national stage."

The nomination was based on Clough's previous involvement in

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## Governor gets earful over cuts

By Haining Yu  
Assistant News Editor

Gov. Sonny Perdue met with 31 student representatives from colleges all over Georgia last Saturday morning to discuss recent budget cuts that will affect state schools and likely lead to a midyear tuition hike.

Not only did Georgia's largest schools such as Tech, UGA, Georgia State and Georgia Southern attend the meeting, but nearly all of Georgia community colleges were represented as well.

The meeting was called together by Chris Young, special assistant to Gov. Sonny Perdue, and former Tech SGA vice president.

The student representatives at the meeting, mostly presidents and vice presidents of their respective schools' student governments, had the chance to present their side of the budget cut and tuition increase issue to the governor.

The early breakfast meeting began with some background information from Young on the history of the Board of Regents, and how the Board became a separate entity from the state.

Next, Perdue presented a PowerPoint on the background of the budget cuts, how they are

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## Thousands sign petition

By Nikhil Joshi  
Contributing Writer

As of Oct. 5, at least 3,000 Tech students signed a petition protesting state budget cuts and the resulting strong consideration of a midyear tuition increase, according to SGA tallies.

Amy Phuong, undergraduate student body president, said that she expects the number to reach at least 4,000.

"The count of 3,000 does not include signatures gathered by sororities, fraternities, or the RHA [Residence Hall Association]," Phuong said. "So far, it looks like the final count will equal approximately 40 percent of the [undergraduate] student body."

The petition, a combined effort of the student governments of 31 schools, is a response to the \$179 million in state budget cuts made by Gov. Sonny Perdue. Tech and UGA are leading the petition drive.

Phuong said that SGA "would like the governor to consider other options, such as spreading out budget cuts more evenly. This would lessen the burden on education."

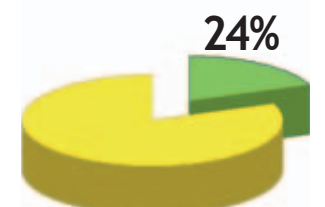
The governor's office said that it does not directly support the 10 percent tuition increase proposed by the Board of Regents. Communications Spokesman Don McLagan said, "A tuition increase is not the right way to solve the problem."

McLagan said the Board of Regents "can surely find \$68 million in its \$4.5 billion budget."

Phuong said that a midyear increase would be not only unex-

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Percent of student body that signed the SGA petition



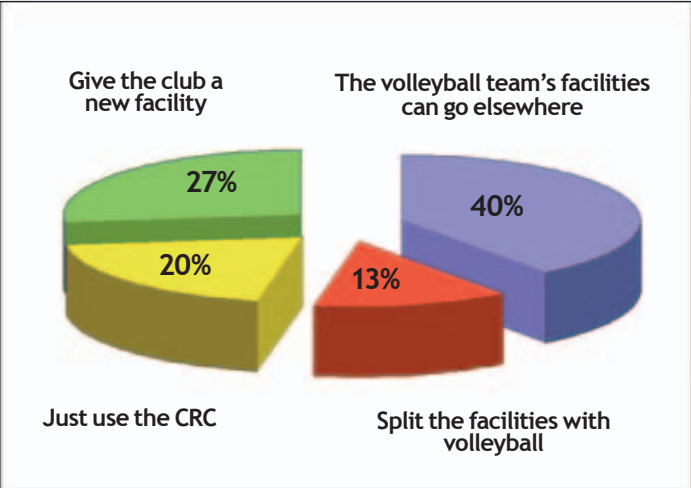
Student body: 16,872

SGA collected over 3,000 signatures. When combined with efforts of RHA and the Greek community, the total is expected to rise above 4,000. Thirty-one colleges and universities are participating in the effort.



Technique Online Voice your opinion!

Last issue's question received 111 responses.  
What is a fair solution to the Barbell Club situation?



By Lauren Griffin / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

This week's question:  
What do you like most about a later Drop Day?  
Tell us at [www.nique.net](http://www.nique.net)



**Flooding**  
9/28/2004 8:42:00 hrs.  
**Location:** O'Keefe  
**Incident:** Report that a building flooded.

**Theft**  
9/28/2004 9:59:00 hrs.  
**Location:** 792 Techwood Dr.  
**Incident:** Report that a 2001 Suzuki motorcycle was stolen.

9/28/2004 15:18:00 hrs.  
**Location:** GLC  
**Incident:** Report that a 1996 Yamaha FZR motorcycle was stolen.

From the files of the GTPD...  
Crime Reports

**Theft (continued)**  
9/30/2004 15:08:00 hrs.  
**Location:** Rose Bowl Football Field  
**Incident:** Report that a green four wheel ATV was stolen.

9/24/2004 12:39:00 hrs.  
**Location:** 800 West Peachtree Street/DCOM

**Incident:** Report of a stolen Georgia Tech master key.

10/2/2004 17:38:00 hrs.  
**Location:** Bobby Dodd Stadium  
**Incident:** Report of a stolen GT/Miami football ticket.

10/4/2004 13:24:00 hrs.  
**Location:** Facilities building  
**Incident:** Report of a stolen laptop.

10/5/2004 23:56:00 hrs.  
**Location:** 890 Curran St.  
**Incident:** Report that a blue 1980 Chevrolet El Camino was stolen.

**Terroristic threats**  
10/3/2004 23:42:00 hrs.  
**Location:** Eighth St. Apartments  
**Incident:** Report of Terroristic threats.

**Traffic accident**  
9/28/2004 12:09:00 hrs.

**Location:** Brittain Loading Dock  
**Incident:** Report of a hit and run accident (no reported injuries).

9/28/2004 17:01:00 hrs.  
**Location:** Woodruff lot

**Incident:** Report of a hit and run accident (no reported injuries).

9/30/2004 16:13:00 hrs.  
**Location:** Hemphill Ave and Eighth St.

**Incident:** Report of a four-vehicle accident (no injuries reported).

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The mystery dinner theatre was kickass awesome!  
w00t  
since when is eli a judge?  
I can't understand my ethics professor  
Taqueria del sol sucks dude  
What part of "no cellphone use in the library" do people not understand?! It doesn't mean that if you go in between a couple of bookshelves that you aren't bothering people trying to study, especiall  
Your Sliver Here.  
Your Sliver There.  
Your Sliver In Your Underwear.  
For the love of all that is good - Widen GA 400!!!  
One would think that USB ports would be in accessible locations!  
poofing angry wolverine missile  
I won't even consider marrying a girl who won't fold my laundry for me.  
[www.joshanddanielswebsite.com](http://www.joshanddanielswebsite.com)  
whoever pulled the fire alarm at 5 am in smith is retarded not one time but many times  
Just give me a job darn it for a stac major, kristin sure is grumpy!  
uh huh, uh huh, uh huh, yeah, uh huh, okay next  
oh no withdrawl there are no cinimon twists at einstiens  
Ha ha Kristin the STAC major, you got pwnz0red!  
What exactly is so wrong about printing first/last names? As I recall, I've seen PG-13 profanity here.  
Your pitiful efforts to censor me will not prevail!  
Best way for fake majors to get along with the real ones: accept your lot in life and make fun of yourself...only then will you be accepted by us  
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# UHR fails sign bill on technicality, funds Kayak Club, Water Polo

By Arcadiy Kantor  
Staff Writer

The Undergraduate House of Representatives dealt with only four bills in an uneventful session Tuesday.

Two of the bills were conference committee versions that had been considered in previous weeks.

Amy Phuong, undergraduate student body president, reported on the progress of SGA's efforts to combat the midyear tuition increase.

She, along with several other SGA presidents from colleges around the state, discussed the current budget problems with Perdue in a meeting last week.

"He had a...presentation of why we are in the situation that we're in," Phuong said. The schools responded with a bevy of statistics in an attempt

to convince the governor to change his mind on the budget cut.

Phuong also updated the representatives on the progress of the petition to overturn the budget reduction.

After tallying Tech's signature total, SGA members will join students from colleges around the state to march from Georgia State's student center to the State Capitol and present the petition to the governor on the Capitol's steps.

One of the bills up for consideration in a new conference committee version was for the allocation of \$2,875 to SGA for a sign to be created to hang outside their new office in the Student Center Commons.

The Graduate Student Senate had passed the bill to allocate \$3,000

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## Graduates elect treasurer, withdraw SGA sign bill

By Stephen Baehl  
News Editor

The Graduate Student Senate meeting began with unfinished business from last week as Vice President Lisa Brown called for nominations for the position of treasurer.

Victoria Foster was elected new treasurer of the GSS with little discussion; her only opponent dropped from the short race after being informed of the time commitment.

From there, the meeting moved on to the more routine business of considering bills. One of the meeting's longest discussions centered around the conference committee version of the SGA allocation bill for a new sign in front of its office.

Sen. Ed Greco, JCOC chair,

noted that he still opposed the bill. "I actually had someone from my department seek me out and ask me, 'What the hell are you guys thinking?'" he said.

Other senators pointed out the reason for the sign's purchase, though, saying the SGA moved its office for the purpose of visibility. Without any sign indicating the office's location, they said, the purpose would not be served.

However, the conference committee bill did not address the indication that GSS had called for the money's allocation from Prior Year, when it should have come from Capital Outlay. Since conference committee bills can only be passed or failed, the graduates had no choice but to withdraw the bill.



By Stephen Marek / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Paul Byrne and Danny Kenyon discuss an aspect of a bill at Tuesday night's Undergraduate House of Representatives meeting. The house only considered four bills in one of its shortest meetings yet.

### *Bills considered by both houses of the Student Government Association*

#### Undergraduate House of Representatives

Title	Author	Status
Joint allocation to SGA (conference committee)	Amy Phuong	Failed
Joint allocation to Kayak Club (conference committee)	Stephanie Bent	Passed
Joint allocation to TEAM Buzz community service day	Richard Wright	Passed (\$0)
Joint allocation to Georgia Tech Water Polo Club	Stephanie Bent	Passed

#### Graduate Student Senate

Joint allocation to Students of Objectivism	Ed Greco	Withdrawn
Joint resolution on state budget reduction	Amy Phuong	Passed
Joint allocation to Georgia Tech Water Polo Club	Teag Haughan	Passed
Joint allocation to SGA (conference committee)	Kasi David	Tabled
Joint allocation to Kayak Club (conference committee)	Pelham Norville	Passed
Joint allocation to TEAM Buzz community service day	Teag Haughan	Tabled

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rather than the lower sum that was determined at the UHR meeting. The contractor’s price quote was not available to the senate.

The bill had been changed in committee to reflect the total allocation passed by the undergraduates, but it was withdrawn from consideration in the GSS because the bill requested the money be allocated from the Prior Year account rather than Capital Outlay.

The Capital Outlay account, intended for purchases that are expected to last longer than three years, would have been the proper source for the bill to draw on.

Since a bill from a conference committee cannot be amended

on the floor during discussion, the mistake struck a deadly blow to the allocation.

“For all practical purposes this bill is dead,” said Hunter Oates, Earth and Atmospheric Sciences representative.

Oates told the house that a conference committee bill must be passed in both the graduate and undergraduate assemblies in order to take effect.

As a result of the error and the graduate students’ withdrawal, the bill failed by a wide margin.

The other conference committee bill fared much better on the floor of the house, however.

The bill, a joint allocation to the Kayak Club, was passed with little discussion in its reduced conference committee version, giving the club

a total of \$6,170 toward equipment purchases.

The other bills addressed at the meeting were processed with similar speed.

TEAM Buzz’s request for \$1,268.78 to pay for monogrammed photo holders, tabled last week to sort out the controversy over communications difficulties between SGA and the organization, was amended to \$0 and passed.

The organization representative apologized for last week’s confusion, saying TEAM Buzz did not have any evidence of the false statements they claimed SGA had made.

Also passed with little discussion was a joint allocation to the Georgia Tech Water Polo club, giving the team \$225 for travel costs to a tournament in Knoxville, Tenn.

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policy-making, which includes experience in the current administration.

In 2001, Bush appointed Clough to the President’s Council of Advisors on Science and Technology (PCAST), a more advisory body than the NSB.

During his tenure on the council, Clough served as the chair of the Federal Research and Development Panel. Clough still holds a position on the board, but has moved to the position of chair of the Nanotechnology Task Force on the board.

If Clough’s nomination to the NSB is approved, he will be the only person to serve on both the NSB and the PCAST.

He will also be the only civil engineer on the board and one of five engineers.

In addition to being on PCAST, Clough is also a member of the executive committee of the U.S. Council on Competitiveness. On this advisory body, Clough serves as the co-chair of the National Innovation Initiative.

Clough is also involved in aiding public policy on the local level. Currently, Clough is working to help Atlanta Mayor Shirley Franklin with the task of repairing the Atlanta sewer system.

If Clough takes the position on the NSB, he will be the second Tech president to serve on the board. The first to do so was Joseph Pettit, who was on the board from 1976 to 1982.



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pected, but also insufficient to cover the budget deficit—this can only be done by either a tuition increase of 27 percent, a staff reduction or some combination of the two.

Leroy Campbell and Patrick Cook, SGA chairs of public relations, said that the petition represents the majority opinion of Tech students. Campbell said that higher student-professor ratios would hurt Tech's national rankings. "Students should not have to pay more to go to a school with lower rankings," he said.

Describing the far-reaching effects of the tuition increase, Phuong said, "There could be a lessening in the number of classes offered over the summer. Also, because of limited resources, Georgia Tech may not be able to accept as many freshmen or transfer students as they have in the past."

Andrew Howard, president of RHA, worked together with Phuong to reach as many students as possible. "RHA unanimously passed the same resolution as SGA did.

This allowed us to initiate a door-to-door petition drive within our hall councils," he said.

The petition, Phuong said, brings students together to "fight for higher education. Everyone is working together to make a difference."

**"The petition probably won't work. If they have to increase tuition and make cuts, they will."**

**George Kassanis**  
Second-year BME

"This is our chance to show that when we organize, we can be a strong force in affecting change," Campbell said. "It is a way to show the Board and the governor that we value our education."

RHA and SGA are confident that the results of the petition will have a significant impact on the decisions

of Perdue and the Board of Regents. The petitions will be delivered to the capitol today.

"Even if the governor does not reduce the budget cuts, at least he will be aware of our position and take it into account in future decisions," Phuong said.

Students, however, are divided in their opinions. "The petition probably won't work," said George Kassanis, a second-year Biomedical Engineering major. "If they [the governor and the Board of Regents] have to increase tuition and make cuts, they will." Other students feel that the petition drive is likely to be successful in reducing the tuition increase. First-year Management major Vandana Aggarwal, a member of the FreShGA committee, said, "I think that the petition will be effective. Our position is backed by strong reasoning and strong support."

SGA will also hold an open forum for students to discuss the tuition increase. Campbell said that the proceedings could be presented to the governor along with the petition.

*Shan Sharif contributed reporting to this story.*

## Breaking *the* Bubble

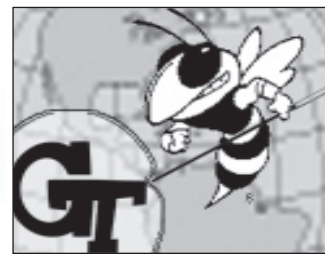
A lot of things went on outside the bubble of Tech in the past week. Here are a few important events taking place throughout the nation and the world.

**Comedian Rodney Dangerfield dies at 82**

"I don't get no respect," comedian Rodney Dangerfield once lamented, creating a new catchphrase.

Dangerfield, whose self-deprecating humor brought him stardom in clubs, movies and television, died Wednesday, Oct. 6. He was 82.

The comedian underwent heart surgery Aug. 25 at the University of California, Los Angeles, Medical Center. After the surgery, he suffered a small stroke and fell into a coma. Dangerfield is survived by his wife, Joan, and two children from a previous marriage.



**Cheney slip sends voters to wrong site**

During Tuesday's vice presidential debates, Republican candidate Dick Cheney accidentally misspoke when citing a website for viewers to find facts countering Democrat John Edwards' comments about Halliburton, which Cheney used to run.

Instead of citing FactCheck.org, the vice president accidentally referred audiences to FactCheck.com, a for-profit advertising site.

The company could not handle the 100 hits per second following the debate, and thus decided to redirect traffic to a site owned by billionaire George Soros, who is known for his anti-Bush sentiment.

## Perdue says Board of Regents is to blame for midyear tuition increase

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allocated, and how they affect all state agencies.

"There were interesting numbers," USB President Amy Phuong said. While the numbers showed that over half of the state budget is currently being allocated to education (including K-12), they only reflected the budgets of fiscal year 2004 and 2005, and did not, according to Phuong, show the long-term changes and cuts that have been made to education.

After the governor's presentation, each student representative was allowed to introduce him or herself. As the first to make his introduction, Georgia State's Karlos Emmanuel set the tone of the meeting.

After stating his name, school and the number of students he represented, he "presented his numbers

on how his school was being cut," Phuong said.

UGA President Adam Sparks was the next to present.

Sparks told the governor about his personal story and how he would not be able to graduate on time due to the budget cuts' effects.

Discussion for the first hour of the meeting centered upon the budget cuts' effects on the quality of education at Georgia schools.

"Each of the bigger schools came in with their background numbers: how much they were being cut, where cuts were being made, how many layoffs have happened this year alone," Phuong said. "In my opinion, the first hour of the meeting was rough."

According to Phuong, the governor "was definitely very defensive [in the first hour of the meeting]," and had an almost condescending attitude towards the students.

He said the representatives did not understand the whole story, and did not have the right numbers. Perdue also tried to shift blame for the tuition hikes to the Board of Regents, Phuong said.

"The governor kept on turning it around and saying that 'you are blaming the wrong person, you should blame the Board of Regents because they are the ones, in essence,

who are creating the midyear tuition increase,'" Phuong said.

The governor maintained that he does not support a midyear tuition increase, and that he believes the university system can absorb the cuts without having to resort to a midyear tuition increase by "trimming the fat."

Students posed many questions during the meeting. Sparks asked Perdue how schools could be expected to "balance" themselves with

**"I felt like I was back in kindergarten because it was a big pointing of fingers."**

**Amy Phuong**  
USB president

the over \$60 million budget cut and not have to raise tuition.

Perdue, in turn, asked students to go speak with the Board of Regents and school administrators to see what they could do.

In response, Phuong told the governor that they had already met with school administrators. "You are just now coming to us, after the fact that we started our petition drive. If

it wasn't for the petition drive, you would have just gone on your way," Phuong said, paraphrasing her actual comment at the meeting.

According to Phuong, without the petition drive and publicity from the press, there is no way the governor would have called a meeting with student representatives.

Phuong said that if he were really concerned about student opinion beforehand, he would have called a meeting much earlier to clarify himself to the students. Now, she said, "It is...too late. We see the bigger picture."

During the meeting, Perdue asked each school to come up with its own solution to stop the tuition increase.

"I felt like I was back in kindergarten," Phuong said, "because it was a big pointing of fingers."

As the meeting wore on, however, Phuong said that more progress between the two parties was made.

"Towards the end," Phuong said, "the governor became more receptive to our ideas and our solutions. I think he came in there believing that he would be able to sell us, and from there be able to alleviate the problem."

Phuong said she feels that as a result of the meeting, Perdue has a clearer understanding of how and

where students stand, and realizes "that we're not going to back down."

"It's not over," Phuong said. "The meeting was a good first round." A meeting with the governor's chief of staff is being planned, and will feature representatives from only the larger schools within the state.

"Although we butted heads a lot during the meeting," Phuong said, she feels like they will now be able to sit down and compromise.

Their ultimate goal is to have fewer budget cuts for the university system. "The ideal situation is for them to cut across the board: 1.5 percent for all state agencies." That way Tech would face only about \$1 million in budget cuts, which, according to Phuong, the Institute can absorb. This would be much less of a cut to deal with than the current \$7.8 million.

While it is highly unlikely that Perdue will make any significant changes in the budget cuts, any kind of reduction would be good, Phuong said, "so that we wouldn't need to lay off as many people," and possibly not have to increase tuition.

Phuong is also slated to make a 10-minute presentation to the Board of Regents when they meet on Tech's campus next Tuesday and Wednesday.



# OPINIONS

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**Quote of the week:**  
*"To repeat what others have said,  
 requires education; to challenge it,  
 requires brains."*  
 —Mary Pettibone Poole

## OUR VIEWS CONSENSUS OPINION

### A mixed review

Standing up and forcefully presenting student viewpoints, SGA officials, including President Amy Phuong, have taken the fight against midyear tuition increases to the highest levels of state government. Phuong and other student government officers from across the state met with Governor Sonny Perdue last Saturday. While Perdue did not announce any plans to reduce the Board of Regents' share of the state's budget cuts, the fact that the governor called a meeting with our student body representatives speaks volumes about the power of student opinions and concerns. Campus leaders have succeeded in serving as the spokespeople in this fight and have represented us well.

Today student government officials will take petitions protesting the cuts to the state capital. While approximately 4,000 Tech students signed the petition, the actual figure should have been considerably higher. The issue affects 15,000-plus students. Although the petition may have garnered media attention from major outlets across the state, not enough on-campus publicity was devoted to the cause. While SGA's executive officers worked tirelessly to promote the effort, undergraduate representatives and graduate senators neglected their duty to their constituents by failing to promote the issue in the same manner. More publicity was devoted to Ramblin' Nights at Six Flags than to an issue that will affect tens of thousands of students statewide.

Representatives should have flooded their constituents' email inboxes, covered campus with chalkings and flyers, and tabled Skiles Walkway round the clock to let students know when and where they could sign the petition.

Instead, publicity was limited to word-of-mouth and club meetings. Only a fraction of the student body was well-informed. Representatives have a duty to the student body. They should learn from this experience by better reaching out to those they serve.

## Must-see TV

During the presidential and vice-presidential debates, students flocked to the Student Center Commons to watch the events with friends. Housing staffs also planned various programs around the debates and some professors made it advantageous for students to watch the debates by offering extra credit. Students should keep up the good work and pay attention to the debates tonight and Wednesday, Oct. 13. It is critical for students to pay attention to national politics and make informed choices on Nov. 2.

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By Erin Gatlin / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

## Take advantage of your voting privileges

"Vote!" say the College Republicans, "Vote!" say the College Democrats, "Vote!" says SGA, "Vote!" says MTV. "Vote!" You've heard it over and over again.

Well I am here to say again that magic four-letter word, but not as your student government, not as someone trying to influence your decision, I am saying it as a Resident Alien of this country who does not have the right to vote.

I cannot comprehend how someone who for the first 18 years of their lives has not been able to vote, and who has finally gained that right, can merely shrug it off?

To me, voting is not a responsibility, it's a privilege.

Whether it be a student election, a local government election, a gubernatorial election or a presidential election, voting is your opportunity to voice your opinion to someone who has large influence over what happens to your money (from school fees to taxes), the rules you live by (from bill allocation procedure to laws) and the future opportunities you'll have.

Ever wonder why social security is such a big issue in so many state and national elections?

It's because the elderly have the largest voting percentage of any age demographic.

Guess who has the smallest voting percentage of any age demographic? If you don't know the answer just take a look in the mirror and try to remember the last time, if ever, that you voted.

The last time this country was involved in a long term war, college campuses were hotbeds for political activism.

But in the many months since the Iraq conflict began, little stirring has happened on America's campuses.

Why is that? The days of flower power may be over, but the issues



"The days of flower power may be over, but the issues students protested about back then still ring true."

**Haining Yu**  
 Assistant News Editor

students protested about back then still ring true.

For one, I think that my peers ages 18-21 who are losing their lives in Iraq should be allowed to drink alcohol.

By the way, if anyone should have strong feelings about the war in Iraq, it should be people our age, because the majority of the soldiers dying out there are people our age, not the senior citizens who are going to be doing the most voting in choosing the candidate they think will best be able to handle the war.

The economy is another big issue in this election.

Well I ask, how many of you out there are looking to find a job in the next four years?

If the economy continues going downhill, the people not getting jobs will be us.

The people getting laid off when big companies need to squeeze their costs could also very possibly be our parents...who then is going to pay your bills?

I'm not trying to scare or upset anyone; I'm simply trying to show that the issues out there are indeed very pertinent to us.

It seems to me that one of the main reasons people don't vote is because they don't feel like the issues that candidates talk about really relate to them.

It's really a vicious cycle though, because the less a demographic votes, the less attention candidates are going to pay to issues that concern them.

Another reason that many don't vote is because they don't feel like their vote is going to make a difference.

First of all, as science and engineering people, we should understand very clearly that a small difference (say, a misplaced decimal point or a number rounded the wrong way) can make a huge difference.

Small calculation shifts in engineering can make a bridge collapse or an engine fail.

So why can't small shifts in voter turnout make a difference in election results?

In the last election, Ralph Nader received a tiny number of votes, but according to many democrats, it was enough to make Gore lose the election.

So if the decisions of legalize-marijuana supporters can make such a difference in a national election, couldn't the decision of college students make an even bigger difference?

I know this editorial comes a little late in the election season since voter registration is now over, but I implore that if you did register, please, please make your voice heard when Nov. 2 rolls around.

After all, if I am willing to consider changing my nationality in order to be able to vote, then you who already have the right to vote should be willing to make the effort to go to send in that absentee ballot or go to the Student Center to cast your vote.



# Dating not impossible for average Techie

Dating at Tech is not like dating anywhere else. It is especially hard for those students who enjoy hanging out in their dorm rooms for endless hours, playing video games and doing other isolated activities.

Having spent a few too many late nights at the CoC, I have been able to observe many of these lonely students, and I think that I can give y'all some dating advice.

At some colleges girls look at a boy's "earning potential" before they agree to a date.

Here at Tech, no boy has to worry about being discriminated because of his possible future success.

You may wonder then why it is so hard for you to get a date.

While you have plenty of earning potential, you may not be living up to your social potential. This just takes some practice. Start small. Maybe strike up a conversation with someone in your favorite chat room before venturing into the real world.

But remember, a few conversations in a chat room DO NOT constitute a date.

Once you feel comfortable talking to new people, try your new skills out at the dining hall or in one of your recitations.

When you approach your girl of choice, make sure you have a few good, non-creepy things to



**"While you have plenty of earning potential, you may not be living up to your social potential."**

**Lauren Griffin**  
Advertising Manager

say. Make eye contact, and just go with the flow.

Do not breathe abnormally or make strange faces, it will scare her.

Once you two have been talking for a while, ask her if she wants to study together or go to dinner. If she says yes, ask her for her phone number.

DO NOT ask her for her screen name, email address or for any other computer related means of communication.

Remember, you are working on your social skills. You should have already mastered your internet ones.

She may not give you her number. It's ok, these things take practice. Don't get discouraged and keep trying. Eventually you will find someone who is perfect for you.

After you have her number, wait a few days before calling. You don't really have to wait three days, but don't call her im-

mediately—it makes you look a little too eager.

After you have established a day and time, keep talking to her. Don't call her every day, but do talk to her whenever you see her.

It may make you seem immature if you avoid her in class or stare and point at her with your friends.

On the day of the date, make sure you shower, brush your hair and teeth, wear clean clothes and use deodorant. You will not get a second date if you don't.

Be on time even if you don't think she will be.

When you get to the restaurant, remember all the manners your mother taught you: open the door for her, pull out her chair, complement her in a normal, non-creepy way.

Again, remember to make eye contact when you talk to her and be natural. When you get to the table DO NOT sit on

the same side of the booth/table. Even if you end up dating for a long, long time, never do this. It's really annoying.

Try not to talk about the video games you played last night, the cool new program you are coding or any of the late night happenings of the CoC. I have been there and I have seen them, and trust me, they're not cool. If the date goes well, ask her to go on another.

Again, if she says no, its ok, keep trying. You will find someone who will want to date you.

On a similar note, you may have heard of the "two function assumption." This is also something that other colleges have, but Tech does not. Even if you go out with a girl twice, no matter how formal or serious you think the dates are, you are NOT dating.

At Tech, you should never make assumptions. After you and your girl have been dating for a while, you will be proud of yourself and you will probably want to show off your new social status.

This is great, you should be proud! But you do not need to walk around campus like a pretzel, holding hands with your arms around each other.

No one likes PDA, so please be courteous and keep the fondling to a minimum.

## BUZZ Around the Campus Who won the first presidential debate?



**Victoria Seigle**  
CE Senior

*"Kerry definitely won the debate."*



**Jeff Ely**  
IE Freshman

*"Bush—he seemed more confident and experienced."*



**David Swafford**  
ME Senior

*"Kerry's a better speaker, but that doesn't mean he's the better candidate."*



**Nafisah Muhammad**  
CE Senior

*"Bush—he stuck to his side on the issues."*

Photos by Michael Skinner

### OUR VIEWS HOT OR NOT

## HOT- or -NOT



### Spicing things up

Adding to the tailgate craziness last weekend, three Tech students campaigned at the Miami game to become the Old Spice "Red Zone President," and will be featured in upcoming commercials. The winner will compete against other college students for a free trip to Hawaii. We can only hope that part of the presidential duties include getting rid of the funky smell in the CoC computer cluster.



### Check yourself

A few professors across campus have decided to create a new type of midterm grade report—on themselves. We applaud them for taking the time to survey students on what they think of their class before the semester ends. But why should only a select few evaluate themselves before the mandated review at the end of the semester? Professors should take note of this new trend, and follow suit.



### Signing off

Several weeks ago, SGA passed a bill to pay for a new sign to adorn the new Student Government offices. In a strange twist, the bill has failed in both houses on a technicality. We suggest the bill be permanently killed. After all, SGA hasn't had the sign up so far and yet it survived somehow.



### Frozen substitutes

It was two years ago that Brittain Dining Hall made the unfortunate switch from normal frozen yogurt to Colombo frozen yogurt. Now the nightmare is beginning all over again as Woodruff has made the shocking switch to Colombo as well. Doesn't anyone realize how much yellow vanilla yogurt sucks?

### YOUR VIEWS LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

## Cut Parking a little slack

Students have negative perceptions of the Department of Parking and Transportation. We've all agonized over the evil yellow envelope slipped under our windshield wiper.

Most perceptions, however, are based on a lack of understanding of the actual rules and regulations that Tech Parking has instated, and most tickets can be easily avoided. Here are a few examples.

First, no one in the Parking Department works on commission for giving tickets. Enforcement officers are tasked with patrolling their zones and issuing citations to illegally parked vehicles.

Also, people always complain

about lack of available parking spaces in their normally assigned lot.

Overselling of lots is essential in the parking business, but the overselling is minimized in residential zones and maximized in lots where faculty and staff park. If you can't find a space to park, someone is probably illegally parked in your lot. The solution: park in any adjacent legal space to your

normally assigned lot and submit an out of area reference request online on the parking web page under online forms. This signals enforcement to patrol that area immediately.

Then, Parking will send you

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a reply email confirming your approved request and containing a confirmation number exempting you from a ticket should one be issued.

If you are wary about this process, you can park in any nonresidential area (a zone lacking "R" in the name) or meter (look for signs) after 5 p.m. as long as you remove your vehicle by 7 a.m. the following morning.

These areas are also open on the weekends, but Monday at 7 a.m., normal zones are enforced. These are some of the major benefits of owning a permit.

Visitors who do not own permits can park at nonresidential meters and the visitor lots between the hours of 5 p.m. and 7 a.m. and on weekends. Also, weekend permits can be sold for specific zones (call for details).

If you get a ticket, any ticket can be appealed online. The Appeals Board can uphold your request, dismiss it or reduce your fine by half.

The director of parking, Bob Furniss, is making a valiant effort to work with the students' requests to make parking easier. He has invoked a "Friendlier is Better" theme among the Parking Department.

We should all familiarize ourselves with the rules and processes on the Parking homepage.

Let's work together to keep ticket prices down, as well as permit costs for the upcoming year.

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# BLINDED BY SCIENCE

## Tech's on-campus technology lags behind that of peers

While we have many pioneering engineering and science research studies to boast about, it seems like we often find ourselves wondering why other schools have much cooler technologies that are used for simple, everyday tasks.

I know I've discussed this issue many times with friends while we were complaining about one Tech shafting or another. Now don't get me wrong, I love Tech and couldn't have imagined myself going to any other school, even working as hard as you have to here. But we're supposed to be one of the leading universities in terms of technology, especially in the southeast.

Take, for example, the hand-scanning machines that UGA has instead of keys to let students into their dorms. We should at least be able to get Buzzcard access into our own dorms. I was actually pestered about this issue several times when I worked for housing. And while I certainly understand the costs that would be involved in implementing such a system, it certainly seems like something we should be working towards establishing.

The whole key system seems antiquated now, and the keys often break in the door locks and then must be replaced. Even the locks themselves break with annoying frequency. "But what if someone loses their buzzcard? Anyone could get in to the building." Yeah, they could do the same thing if someone lost their key too. And having a key



"Let's face it. Those screens are really cool. But how long will we have to wait for the technology to reach the rest of campus?"

**Andrea Thompson**  
Columnist

and a buzzcard means that you just have one more thing to keep track of, which seems like it would be more likely you'll misplace one or the other. Another complaint I've heard fairly often is in terms of the availability of the wireless network on campus. I think that the GT LAWN is wonderful and relatively easy to access, but it is only available in certain buildings on campus.

Admittedly, the number of buildings with LAWN access has grown and continues to do so, but other schools already have campus-wide wireless networks. Shouldn't we have been one of the first universities to accomplish this task? Shouldn't it have been accomplished a couple of years ago?

There are several recent examples of areas in which Tech certainly has used technology to improve our everyday college experience. For those of us who still remember the old cubicles in the library, the computer cluster that took their place is a good example of Tech's strides at improving the availability of everyday technology. But once

again, why wasn't such a useful tool implemented earlier?

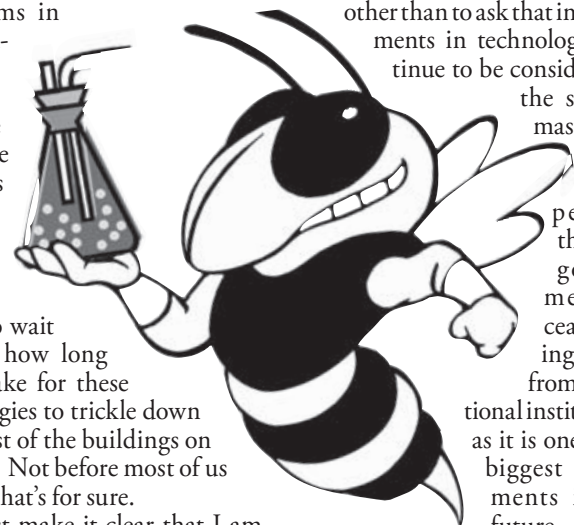
The new classrooms in the ES&T building and Management building with ceiling projectors, automated screens and desktop outlets for students with laptops are also excellent examples. Even more impressive are the touch-screen computers and the daily room schedules listed on computer screens outside the doors of the classrooms in the Management building. Let's face it. Those screens are really cool. But now will we be left to wait and see how long it will take for these technologies to trickle down to the rest of the buildings on campus? Not before most of us get out, that's for sure.

I must make it clear that I am

well aware of the budget cuts the school has faced in recent years, and indeed, will have to endure again. And I understand that the limitations these cuts impose make it difficult to finance improvements in campus technologies.

But part of my point here is to back up the argument that taking money from education is only going to hurt the ability of this campus to effectively serve its students and provide them with the same excellent education it always has. It will also undercut efforts to recruit the best and the brightest students to our campus, especially from out of state, if they can go to another school that can offer more impressive incentives.

I don't know that I necessarily have a solution to these problems, other than to ask that improvements in technology continue to be considered in the school's master plan and to appeal to the state government to cease taking money from educational institutions, as it is one of the biggest investments in our future.





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## PROFESSOR OR PARENT?

For students who have family at Tech, falling asleep in class may have repercussions other than just missing the lecture material. **Page 11**

## A HIDDEN HISTORY

Think the UGA-Tech rivalry is full of bad blood? The Jackets and the Terps have a history that has its share of drama as well. **Page 28**



Last Thursday night, students from all across campus tuned into the first presidential debate. The Student Center was a popular viewing location, with students filling the Commons and second floor areas to watch the debate on the flat-screen TVs. To avoid the crowds, some students even sat on the ledges in the post office to watch the debate on the plasma screens there.



By Emily Tate / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS



## Students tune in for debates



By Usha Kantheti  
Contributing Writer

Presidential candidates George W. Bush and John Kerry met face-to-face last week in their first formal, televised debate at the University of Miami in Florida. Sponsored by the Commission on Presidential Debates and moderated by PBS's Jim Lehrer, the debate lasted 90 minutes and focused specifically on homeland security and foreign policy.

With Election Day drawing nearer, students across campus defied Tech's apathetic reputation by tuning into and taking an active interest in the debates.

According to Kirk Bowman, Associate Professor of International Affairs, the presidential debate is significant at a local level, even though it was mainly a national event.

"[This debate] is very relevant because Georgia is not in play," Bowman said. He noted that because Georgia is not a battleground state, it does not get a lot of direct campaigning. Therefore, he said, this debate is a way "for citizens of states that are already decided to get more insight into the candidates."

Alan Bakowski, a fourth-year Public Policy major and the president of the College Democrats, agrees. "This is the first good chance for people to sit down and watch [the candidates] closely" without media interfer-

ence, Bakowski said.

Ruth Malhotra, the Chairman of the College Republicans, believes that the debate served as a "reminder of the differences between the two candidates. Many Tech students tend to be apathetic when it comes to politics...and this gives them a chance to see the candidates side by side."

In addition to working to promote political awareness, both the College Democrats and the

our first time voting," Garcia said. "We're going to be doing it for the rest of our lives, and I think we need to get involved and at least get our word out there," he said.

So what aspects of foreign policy and homeland security are young voters concerned about? For many students, the war in Iraq is probably one of the most important issues in this election.

"The most important aspect of security for younger voters is the possibility of the draft coming back," Bowman said. "With the armed forces being extended in Iraq, it is possible that a draft may be instituted."

For Eric Faust, a first-year Electrical Engineering major, Iraq is an issue he will consider when voting for the first time this year. A Kerry supporter, Faust felt that the debate reaffirmed his choice. "Kerry did a better job of addressing specific issues, laying out a specific plan for Iraq," he said.

On the other hand, Malory Hunter, a registered Republican and a first-year Architecture major, did not find Kerry's plan appealing. "I didn't like Kerry's plan because he set a specific time limit on Iraq without taking into consideration the fact that Iraq might not be ready yet," she said.

Third-year Computer Sci-

"It is important to know what's going on...for some of us, it's our first time voting."

**Mateo Garcia**  
First-year Physics major

College Republicans held voter registration drives to get more students to register before the Election Day. For some students, the opportunity to cast their vote is giving them a reason to watch the debates.

"I'm going to be voting and I think it is important to know what's going on and to know what each of the candidates believes," said Mateo Garcia, a first-year Applied Physics major who recently registered to vote.

"At least for some of us, it's

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## Red Zone campaign "spices" up Miami game

By Jennifer Lee  
Focus Editor

Students who noticed representatives from Old Spice—yes, the deodorant—in the Student Center last Thursday may have dismissed them as just another organization passing out flyers and publicity.

But a few Tech students did take note, and as a result, three of them will star in a series of commercials that will air in the next few weeks on channels like ESPN, Fox Sports, Comedy Central and BET.

Old Spice has been visiting college campuses across the country, recruiting men to be featured in their "Red Zone Body Wash President" ad campaign.

They chose three finalists from Tech after a day of informal auditions: Dan Richard, a third-year Industrial Engineering major; Matthew Toner, a third-year Building Construction major; and Matthew Drake, a first-year Computer Science major.

Each had different motivations for auditioning. "I was just walking down Skiles with my roommate and they picked me out and said, 'Hey, you got the look,'" Toner said.

Richard was talked into it by a friend. "I got a call from my buddy Justin, and he was like, 'Dan, I'm walking through the Student Center and...they're auditioning people; I think this would be right up your alley.' I was like, 'What have I got to lose?'"

"I got a call from my [friend], and...I was like, 'What have I got to lose?'"

**Dan Richard**  
Third-year IE major

Drake had a personal interest: "I've wanted to do some professional work [in commercials]," he said.

For the audition, the guys delivered a slogan ("Ladies, my Red Zone Body Wash speaks loud and clear: behold the power of eight-hour!") while demonstrating personality, charm and ability to work a crowd.

Richard took some liberties with the slogan by playing his harmonica

and singing the slogan instead.

"I pulled out my harmonica and...the lady went nuts," Richard said.

The three received a call later in the afternoon saying they had made the cut, and at a meeting that evening, the three were briefed on what to expect during the next two days. For Friday, they were instructed to meet the Old Spice representatives at their hotel. They were also told to bring a bathing suit in order to film some shower scenes.

"We had to go to this...shady hotel off Howell Mill," Toner said. "It was pretty weird because we...had only signed one page [of paperwork]. I was really double-guessing as to whether it was...legit."

Each took their turn showering with Red Zone Body Wash while cameramen filmed them. "I was like...I'm going to get filmed half-naked by people I've never met," Richard said.

In hindsight, the guys say they viewed Friday's events as an interesting, albeit very strange, experience.

"It was really weird," Drake said. "They kept saying, 'More suds!'"

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By Jennifer Lee / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Dan Richard is one of three Tech men who got to film a commercial as part of Old Spice's "Red Zone President" advertising campaign. The election-inspired commercials will air during Tech football games.



# Fraternity Row shows many faces of construction

## *For Greek community, building a house takes more than just asking for donations*

By Joshua Cuneo  
Senior Staff Writer

For most campus organizations, fundraising means working to acquire hundreds or thousands of dollars for a particular project.

But for Greek chapters looking to put up new houses on campus, fundraising means embarking on a long-term effort to take out a loan for over \$1 million.

Two new houses being constructed on East Campus this semester represent the culmination of the efforts of their respective chapters. Delta Chi broke ground this past June on their new house on Fifth Street after a long fundraising effort, and Alpha Xi Delta has a new building under construction on Techwood. Both houses are due to open in January.

Greek organizations interested

in funding a new house usually approach an outside company to provide fundraising advice and assistance. They then turn to alumni for financial support through donations and other fundraising efforts.

"It's just about networking," said Carol Ford, a fourth-year Architecture major and the president of the Alpha Xi Delta sorority. "The architect who designed [our] house was an alumnus, and so she used

a lot of her resources to get things donated."

Alpha Xi Delta started raising funds for a new house over four years ago. Ford said her chapter also raised funds through a brick-selling program, where alumni could purchase bricks for the new house with custom messages inscribed on the surface. In addition, the sorority has contacted parents of current sisters to request donations of desks and other furniture.

Delta Chi also turned to alumni for the majority of their financial support. The fraternity first wanted to construct an additional house when their current one proved too small for their growing membership base.

"A year and a half ago, one of our recent graduates took it upon himself to lead this project and really put in a lot of attention and time," said David Sibal, a fourth-year Industrial Engineering/International Affairs major and the president of the Delta Chi fraternity. "Thanks in large part to the hard work of our housing corporation, we were able to raise \$175,000 over the past year and make this a reality."

The new building will house 27 fraternity members in single bedrooms and will contain a kitchen and meeting room for chapter congregations. Delta Chi will retain possession of their current house as well, which will function as a six-person annex.

Chapters also raise money through payments from their own

treasuries and the individual fundraising efforts of their members.

"Most of them will do...different kinds of projects within their own organizations," said Buck Cooke, Assistant Director of Student Involvement for Greek Affairs, "whether it's literally having bake sales and doing car washes or...[doing] a per-member assessment...to put that straight into the house fund. Different groups do it different ways."

Cooke estimated that the cost of a typical house ranges from \$1 million to \$2 million. He said this is a reasonable figure, given the size and complexity of such a building.

"For building a structure that's going to hold 30 people, that's...pretty sizeable," he said. "But then also imagine all the plumbing and the Internet wiring, and then all these things that also go into...just building one house, [and] multiply that by a hundred."

To raise the appropriate funds, chapters receive a cost estimate based on the design, which an outside architect usually draws up with chapter input.

"We would look over the plans [with the architect] and give input about...flooring and paint colors and things like that," Ford said.

The chapter also has to make sure that the house's design complies with the Georgia Tech master plan as well as the look and feel of the Midtown community. Cooke said that his office helps facilitate com-



By Charles Frey / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Delta Chi fraternity is currently building an addition to their house. For Greek organizations, raising money for new construction is a long process that involves both fundraising and soliciting donations.

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stuff like that.”

However, Saturday—the day of the Miami game—was the big day, because the majority of video for each person’s commercial would be filmed. At the end of the day, a winner would be chosen from the three. The winner would then represent Tech for Old Spice’s online election of a “Red Zone President.”

Old Spice representatives told them to recruit as many friends as they could to provide a “crowd” for filming. Richard spread the word to everyone he knew, sending out mass emails and plugging it at meetings. “I was just getting the word out like crazy,” he said.

A friend of Drake’s brought several of her friends from Phi Mu to cheer him on. Drake joked that while Richard had brought the most people, “I was able to bring all the women.”

The three were out by North Gate of the stadium beginning at 10 a.m. During the first hours, the crowd they had recruited cheered them on, holding up posters saying “Wash Me!” and helping them film scenes where they crowd-surfed and hammed it up for the camera.

The three got to interact with the Old Spice producers and two Old Spice models, who interviewed Toner, Drake and Richard for some of the film segments.

Fans arriving later also got in on the action. “I took a little [two-year-old] girl,” Richard said. “We asked her parents if we could film something with her, and I said something like, ‘Ladies of all ages love Red Zone!’”

Toner and Drake filmed some scenes in the Ramblin’ Wreck, and

Drake, who plays the saxophone, jammed with the marching band. The crew went to Toner’s fraternity, where “my brothers were looking forward to it...they threw me up in the air and shouted ‘Matt! Matt! Matt!’” Toner said.

The day was draining, though. “It was extremely exhausting having to give it your all and shout and be super excited in front of the camera,” Richard said.

However, all agreed that it was a great experience. Even Drake, who has experience with commercials, said, “I really had fun.”

In the end, Richard was chosen as the winner. He will now be competing against guys from 16 other universities across the nation for a free, all-expense-paid trip to Hawaii for two.

Toner and Drake don’t begrudge Richard the victory. “Dan just had more people there...[he’s] an awesome guy, and he definitely

deserved it,” Toner said. And regardless, all three will have their commercials shown on TV.

But the real question remains: do any of the guys actually use Red Zone Body Wash?

Not exactly. Richard said, “I showed up [at the audition], and... I was like, ‘I use Right Guard, can I still try out for this?’”

No matter, though. All three guys now have a free case of the body wash—a souvenir of their “Red Zone” experience.

**For more information, and to vote for Dan Richard for “Red Zone President,” log on to [www.olds spice.com](http://www.olds spice.com). Voting occurs Nov. 2, the same day as the presidential elections. “Everyone needs to vote!” Dan said. “I’ve never been this close to an exclusive island getaway in my life.”**

# Family ties abound on campus

By Narendhra Seshadri  
Contributing Writer

It’s 9 a.m. on Monday morning, and you’re sitting in chemistry lecture, your first class of the day. You yawn, trying to pay attention to how to balance acid-base reactions—but you don’t dare doze off, because the professor...is your dad.

It’s not a situation typically faced by students, but it is for Jennifer McKelvy, a first-year Aerospace Engineering major. Jennifer is the daughter of Dr. George McKelvy, an Academic Professional in the School of Chemistry and Biochemistry who teaches some of the introductory chemistry courses.

“It’s great, but he is always around, so I really do have to show up for chemistry,” Jennifer said.

For the most part, though, the pros outweigh the cons. “He usually...brings me lunch, or takes me out to lunch,” she said of her father.

Dr. McKelvy was equally positive. “I love it...she has the benefits of having someone to talk to,” he said.

Having family on campus isn’t an unusual thing for Tech students. Tradition runs deep at the school, and many students have parents who are Tech alumni.

And in most cases, whether the family ties involve siblings, parents or spouses, the relationships are good ones.

Megan Salomone, an International Affairs/French major, shares a department with her father, Professor Michael Salomone. “I love having my dad at Tech,” Megan said. “It definitely helps to avoid homesickness and is also really convenient. He helped influence my [major] choice, in that I was raised on International Affairs.”

She added, “My parents were also always traveling, which made the field seem even more enticing.”

Kathleen Turner, a second-year



By Andrew Saulters / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

**George McKelvy, who teaches CHEM1310, shares a smile with his daughter Jennifer, a freshman this fall. Students like Jennifer say the pros of having a professor as a parent usually outweigh the cons.**

Management major, agreed that having a family connection helped motivate her as a freshman and reduced feelings of homesickness. For the most part, she also enjoys the fact that she shares a department with her mother, Deborah Turner, an associate professor in the College of Management.

“It’s good and bad because my mom...[will] help me out with school. But...I am kind of scared about it, [especially] if I don’t do well,” Kathleen said.

However, this doesn’t seem to deter Kathleen too much: she plans to take an accounting course taught by her mother next semester. “[I’m] looking forward to it,” she said.

Having a parent on campus can also provide many perks. “Being able to meet your dad on campus for coffee or just drop into his office to say hi...also, I don’t have a car, and my dad is always really helpful with giving my rides, and running errands,” Megan said.

There are also benefits on the

parent’s side as well. For professors who have children on campus, it’s a way to be a part of their son or daughter’s life during a time that is normally about independence.

Alan Flury is an instructor in the College of Management, and his son Brett is a senior double-majoring in Industrial Engineering and Computer Science.

“[It’s] very rewarding because I have always tried to share part of my kids’ lives,” Flury said.

In addition, Flury can provide support and connections. “Knowing the faculty...I can point him in the right direction,” he said. Flury has helped his son with guidance in academics as well as...helping him set up mock interviews with members on campus.

In addition, for Flury, having to deal with his son gives him insight into “how to deal with Tech students” in general.

However, not all students are as

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Last week's Tech Up Close:  
Fountain behind Junior's Grill

Last week's winner:  
Ashley Smith

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ence major Troy Brant registered as a Republican, but did not become familiar with the Republican candidate's position on issues until after the debate last week.

"I hadn't been keeping up with politics before the debate, so this was the first chance for me to watch the candidates closely," he said.

Garcia, who was undecided before watching the debate, said that both candidates made their positions clearer than before but did not do enough to convince him either way. He plans to watch the upcoming debates, which he believes will help him shape his decision before Election Day.

While some debated the candidates' performance, others were more concerned about the format of the debate itself.

The first presidential debate required the candidates to give two-minute responses to the questions put forth by the moderator, Jim Lehrer. There are no follow-up questions by the moderator and the candidates themselves may not question each other directly. Lehrer announced at the beginning of the debate, "[These] rules of engagement [were] worked out by representatives of the candidates. I have agreed to enforce their rules on them."

In other words, the Commission

on Presidential Debates is created by the Republican and Democratic parties to serve their own interests, said Bowman. Lack of follow-up questions renders a debate format that is "much more controlled and antiseptic [in order] to protect the candidates from making fools of themselves," he said.

Students like Malhotra also want a more challenging and direct debate format. "I would like to see more of the candidates questioning each other directly," she said.

Still other students were less concerned about the current election.

"I don't have enough time to keep up with politics and I'm not interested in it," said Rachel Heim, a third-year Building Construction major.

"I don't have an opinion since I'm not keeping

up with politics," she said, when asked why she is not planning to vote. "I don't want to take the time because I'm busy with other stuff, but probably once I'm out of school and I have more spare time, I'll keep up with politics."

There are two remaining presidential debates. One is tonight, Friday, Oct. 8, and will be in a town hall format where each candidate will respond to questions from the audience.

The final debate, focusing on domestic issues, will air Wednesday, Oct. 13, and its format will be identical to the first debate.

**"I hadn't been keeping up with politics before the debate, so this was the first chance for me to watch the candidates closely."**

**Troy Brant**  
Third-year CS major



## Greek from page 10

munications between the chapter and the Facilities and Real Estate Management Office for Tech.

"The goal is that once a group builds a new house...you would have a normal house," Cooke said, "as opposed to [if] they build a house and then they find out in a year that they need to plant this kind of shrubbery or they should have used a certain kind of brickwork in their wall or things like that."

In addition, Greek chapters have to work closely with their housing corporations through the fundraising and building processes.

"Every chapter of every fraternity...has their own housing corporation," Sibal said. "The reason for that is so that the house is legally separate from the fraternity."

These corporations serve as legal entities that own the houses as a matter of liability. If issues regarding property damage or another problem arise, responsibility falls on the corporation instead of on the chapter.

Once a chapter has worked out all design issues and secured enough

funds, it will take out a bank loan and a contract with a construction company.

Groundbreaking usually follows shortly thereafter, and the construction process is often sped along because of the personal involvement of Greek alumni in the company. The rapid pace of construction, however, has little impact on the surrounding houses.

"They've kept it kind of enclosed on the lot the best they can,

and there's actually a fence all the way around right now," Ford said. Sibal added that his house has only had to contend with cars parked on the front lawn, "but that is something that we're more than willing to live with to have a new fraternity house."

Many other Greek chapters on campus are currently raising funds for their own houses or on a waiting list for available space. In the event that a new parcel of land becomes available, a special committee composed of Greek alumni reviews applications from all fraternities and sororities interested in the space.

"The purpose of having that committee is so that there isn't the perception that there [are dealings] behind closed doors," Cooke said. "That way, [it] is a fair process."

**"Most of them will do...different kinds of projects...having bake sales and doing car washes."**

**Buck Cooke**  
Asst. dir., Greek Affairs

## Family from page 11

comfortable being in the same class that their parents teach.

According to Brett, one of the cons of having a parent as a professor is perceived favoritism. He said other students might think "he didn't truly deserve an A" simply because his father was teaching the course.

Megan agreed that the pressure of being a student and a daughter can be a little overwhelming.

"One con would be...[my dad] definitely expects a lot more out of me than other students, and because we talk and see each other so frequently, he can check up on what I am doing much easier than the [average] student," she said.

Another form of family ties on campus are spouses who both teach or work on campus. Jennifer and Thomas Michaels are both professors in the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering.

"It's great that we're both at Tech," Jennifer Michaels said. "We really appreciate the fact that Tech supports hiring faculty who are married; when we came in 2002, there were already three other ECE husband/wife pairs."

Michaels said, "We've worked together for almost 25 years, first in industry and now at Tech, so for us, it's the normal situation."

In addition, the advantage of being in the same department is particularly convenient. "Our offices and lab are all located very

close together and also since we do interdisciplinary research and collaborate closely with faculty in other schools."

Even in the case of students with siblings at Tech—a fairly common scenario—there are issues that most don't consider. Most siblings are quick to say that sibling rivalry isn't too much of a problem, even at a competitive school like Tech.

Identical twins Jessica and Megan Kirk, who are pursuing their masters'

**"When [my husband and I] came in 2002, there were already three other ECE husband/wife pairs."**

**Jennifer Michaels**  
ECE professor

degrees in Industrial Engineering and International Affairs, live together and share many of the same interests.

"Living together is beneficial because we're compatible, [we] share stuff and [we're] both neat, so it works out well," Jessica said. "We always have support...there is always someone to rely upon."

Having a sibling on campus is especially reassuring for international students. Kartik Sundareswaran, a Ph.D. student in Biomedical Engi-

neering, said, "It is good to have a family member going to the same school as you, especially when you are living so far away from home."

He added, "When parents come and visit, it becomes easier for them to see both their children in the same university."

Kartik's younger sister, Sowmya Sundareswaran, is a senior in Industrial Engineering. She agreed that having a sibling on campus—especially an older one—was an advantage in many ways.

"The support that I got from my brother when I was a freshman made my transition to college a lot easier. I always go to him when I need guidance on any issues or have tough decisions to make," Sowmya said.

Siblings who commute to campus can also benefit from someone to travel home with during late night study sessions. Chirag Gandhi, a graduate student in the School of Electrical and Computer Engineering, lives at home and commutes to campus with his younger brother, Varun, a Biomedical Engineering sophomore. "We live and travel together," Chirag said.

Varun added, "We have our own separate rooms at home, so studying can be done peacefully." But at school, "[My brother] gives me good advice on what classes to take...he also has contacts from his friends to get word."

"In the first few weeks here at Tech, I got lost many times and my brother was always there to help me out," Varun added.

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## MOCK THE VOTE

A lesser-known candidate for the presidency has his say after being left out of the debates this past week. **Page 16**

## ICE, ICE, BABY

A four-time winner of the Thrasher Cup, Tech's ice hockey club continues its great success. **Page 28**

# Ben Kweller opens for Incubus, wins fans

By Charbak Mitra  
Contributing Writer

Last Saturday, the lights dimmed in the Arena at Gwinnett Center and a pit saturated with passionate Incubus fans was greeted by an artist few of them had ever heard of at the time.

Ben Kweller, an independent, promising and relatively unknown artist, met them with a mission: to rock as many faces as he could and

**"What Kweller must weather is the current state of affairs in the industry and go against the grain of self-righteous music connoisseurs..."**

make as many fans of his music as possible.

What Ben Kweller represents to the industry is a musician in the truest sense of the word. Some might say that he was born 30 years too late. Yet others might hold that his lot in life is to bring back the idea of the rock star from when that term once had meaning.

There was a time when idolatry was fathomable and those who reached the highest levels of fame became legends in their own right. These were men like Bob Dylan and Jimi Hendrix, who were simply made



By Charbak Mitra / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

**A rock & roll staple, Ben Kweller enjoys a moment singing and playing the electric guitar backed up by vocals from his drummer. Kweller opened for Incubus last Saturday at the Arena at Gwinnett Center.**

of greater stuff than mortal men, heroes who mankind has marked never to die.

One might speculate that attaining that kind of fame is a task beyond the bounds of music in the modern age. In today's scene, rock is populated with bands that cough up little more than a front man, and

country and hip-hop have precious few names that may be remembered in the same history books as Elvis Presley. It is this challenge that Ben Kweller sees as his own.

Whether or not he is made of the same "stuff" as the icons of music history is not a debate. What Kweller must weather is the current state of

affairs in the industry and go against the grain of self-righteous music connoisseurs who don't hesitate to label anything and everything they hear. He has to bring back into the world the idea that music should be taken for what it is at face value: music.

Armored in an outfit of denim and equipped with an electro-acous-

tic guitar, he commenced to rally the audience with a folksy ballad, something that might have caught the army of Incubus fans with their pants down.

"Dr. Dre ain't got nothing on me, or the Snoop D-O-double-G", he assured the crowd.

The snide remark was received with laughter. He traded in for an electric guitar and presented the audience with "Commerce, TX" shortly before setting aside the guitar for his third instrument of the night:

**"...The experience of seeing [Springsteen] live led Kweller to verse himself in an armory of musical instruments including the organ, bass, harmonica and drums."**

the keyboard.

It might be prudent to note that Kweller has a musical advantage instilled in him from his childhood. The Texas native's six degrees to Bruce Springsteen were more like three and the experience of seeing him live led Kweller to verse himself in an armory of musical instruments including the organ, bass, harmonica and drums.

"How Should it Be" from his first

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# Wait to see *September Tapes* on video

By Evan Zasoski  
Senior Staff Writer

Before actually writing the review for Christian Johnston's *September Tapes*, it would perhaps be beneficial to explain exactly what this movie is. *September Tapes* is what you might call a hybrid documentary.

That is, it combines elements of both a traditional documentary with a fictional storyline and characters. The end result is frankly more than a little confusing.

The film tells the story of Don Larson (George Calil) who travels to Afghanistan with his guide Wali Zarif (Wali Razaqi) and obviously a cameraman to make a documentary detailing the hunt for Osama bin Laden.

The film is a little hazy about this, but apparently the ultimate goal is to, through some serious finagling, get a meeting with bin Laden himself and either interview him, put a bullet in his head or both.

The first third or so of the movie, in all truthfulness, sucks. It details

**"The story is fairly weak and predictable, and the non-fiction interviews...only serve to confuse the situation..."**

Larson's clumsy attempts to play detective in and around the city of Kabul. Repeatedly, and with little to no remorse or desire to learn from past mistakes, Larson not only bungles around wildly, but also endangers the lives of himself, Wali and the cameraman.

This seriously tests the limits of believability as to why these characters, particularly Wali, who have no

great personal stake in Larson's film, would stick around while this idiot cowboy puts their lives in jeopardy time and time again.

After that, the film picks up a bit with some fairly well-shot action sequences.

es. With the exception of a few good scenes, however, it never really seems to get off the ground.

The story is fairly weak and predictable, and the non-fiction interviews interspersed lightly throughout only serve to confuse the situation and by virtue of their very short average time on screen, offer

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Photo courtesy First Look Pictures

***September Tapes* stars George Calil as Don Larson, a documentary filmmaker who travels to Afghanistan with the ultimate goal of interviewing Osama bin Laden.**

## Larry the Cable Guy: "Git 'er done!"

Your favorite (or at the very least fourth-favorite) blue-collar comic Larry the Cable Guy performs this Saturday, Oct. 9, at the Gwinnett Arena. Show starts at 8 p.m. and tickets cost \$40.

## You'll have to look up for this one

With A-10 Warthogs, P-51 Mustangs and even a "flying Chevy truck," there's something for everyone at the Great Georgia Air Show. The show is Saturday from 9 a.m. to 6 p.m. at Falcon Field in Fayette County. Tickets cost \$13 for adults and \$7 for children 13 and under.

## They really know how to party

Longing for a taste of the culture that brought you Socrates, Aristotle and Zorbo? Then the Atlanta Greek Festival just might be right up your alley. The festival will be at Greek Orthodox Cathedral of the Annunciation, 2500 Clairmont Road N.E. Oct. 7-10. Tickets cost \$3 for adults and \$1 for children under 11.





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album (*Sha Sha*, 2002), followed in the set. The song is a foot-stomping, light-hearted reminder of how fun music can be. Even Kweller stomped his feet. Among his other selections were “Wasted & Ready” and the melancholic “In Other Words.”

“I would have paid 200 bucks for this. It was awesome.”

**John Bockelman**  
Concertgoer

A powerful factor of his charisma is his undeniable stage presence, a tried-and-true shot to the head of Americana that receives lavish adulation from his existing fans and quickly gathers new ones. Kweller ended an unfortunately

briefset with “No Reason” but left the stage for dead after giving it a three-course beating complemented by guitar leaps, rapid fire progressions, and an end-all guitar solo in the vein of the rock & roll legends he labors to be. Judging from the audience’s reaction, it’s safe to consider him one step closer to his goal.

“I heard he was good, but he exceeded my expectations,” Will Smith, a junior at Georgia State University who attended the event, said.

“I would have paid 200 bucks for this. It was awesome,” John Bockelman, a concertgoer who actually looked suspiciously like Kweller, said.

With a fan base as dedicated as his, Kweller is already beginning to show the symptoms of a budding rock star.

Two such fans are Lauren and Ashley, Emory students who could be found in line eagerly anticipating autographs. Ben treated them to a personal performance of Lauren’s personal favorite, “Different but the

Same” (*On My Way*, 2004). “Ben is our idol...an iconic figure,” she said, clearly writhing in euphoria from Kweller’s earlier serenade.

“I used to think indie had a sound.”

**Ben Kweller**  
Singer/musician

She proudly stated she was a fan of nine months who listened to him every day.

After the show, Kweller nursed a beer and reflected on those who played pivotal roles in his musical direction. He credited his influences to the Velvet Underground, Violent Femmes, Johnny Cash, the Beatles and Nirvana.

Part of the palpable charm around Kweller is the unfaltering assurance that he gets as much out of performing live as his fans do. He finds it to

be an outlet in which he discovers new meanings to his songs.

In response to his label as an indie rocker, Kweller said, “I used to think indie had a sound.”

He then pointed out that indie simply meant he didn’t have to answer to anyone. “I’m a rock singer,” he concluded.

Kweller even went out on a limb and gave an implied thanks to file sharing for helping people recognize his songs when he was starting out. “I’m a huge fan of iTunes,” he said.

One aspect of Kweller’s efforts that shouldn’t go unnoticed is his political activism. He spent the previous night performing a show for John Kerry. When approached about his political leanings, he summarized his sentiments in a simple statement. “I’m just fed up with our government,” he said.

Political awareness is something that Kweller sees to be important. “We’re gonna inherit this country,” he said.

Kweller is sometimes referred to simply as “BK.” Upon further

questioning, he validated the nick name. “I *am* the burger king,” he disclosed.

With further comment, he shared that “most people don’t know that about me.”

Looking into the future, Kweller’s plans hold to his ambitions and are sincere to his grand vision. “I wanna be able to tour around the world,” he said.

“I just wanna keep being creative...and maybe buy a farm in Texas.”

**Ben Kweller**  
Singer/musician

He looks forward to putting out more records and welcomes the idea of receiving more play on the radio. “I just wanna keep being creative... and maybe buy a farm in Texas.”



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very little insight into very much of anything beyond the occasional decent sound byte.

Also, this movie is just plain ugly. Granted it's supposed to be a documentary, so no one is expecting amazing camera work, but after this movie, you'll look back with reverence and awe at a simpler time when the calm and steady hand behind the camera of *Blair Witch Project* controlled what was on your movie screen.

At the very least this film will give you a headache. I've usually got a pretty solid stomach as far as

motion sickness goes and this movie made me a little queasy.

Ultimately, *September Tapes* is a film that doesn't really know what it wants to be and is, on the whole, a bit of a muddled pile.

**"You spend a good portion of the film trying to figure out when it's supposed to be a documentary and when it's supposed to be just a movie."**

You spend a good portion of the film trying to figure out when it's supposed to be a documentary and when it's supposed to be just a movie.

Couple that with camera work that's an epileptic's worst nightmare and you've got a movie that just never really goes anywhere but does so in a frantic fashion.

Wait for the rental because smart money says that this movie won't lose a whole lot of its luster on the small screen.



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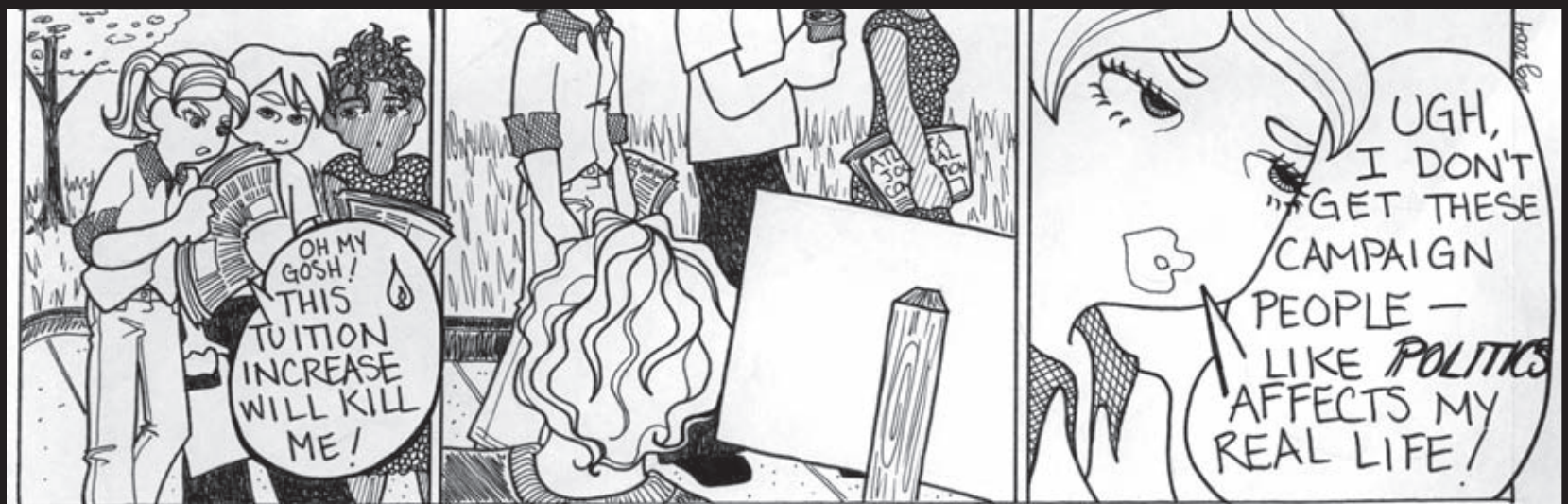
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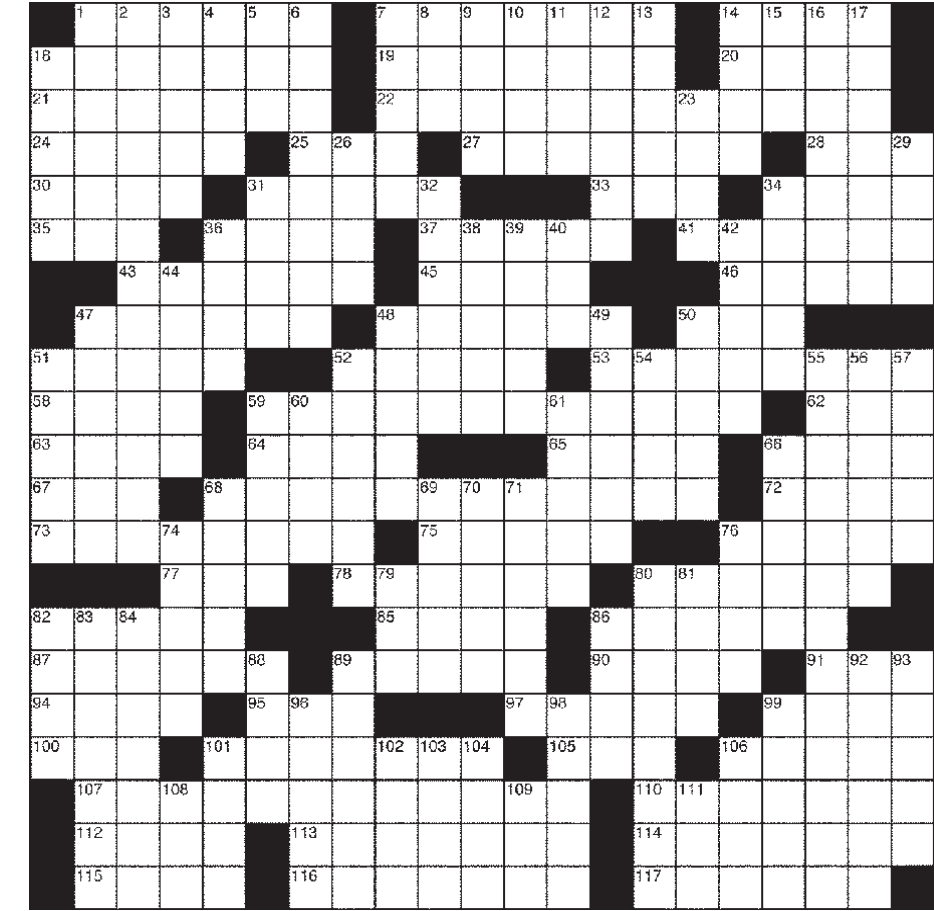
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53. Knick-knack stands  
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times  
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founder  
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67. "But is it \_\_\_?"  
68. Surviving in good shape  
72. Grew old  
73. Buyer's burden, at times  
75. Spout  
76. Hurts  
77. Offering from 35 Across  
78. Oppose  
80. Patriot \_\_\_ Hale  
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ing"  
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abbr.  
94. Bounders  
95. Columbus inst.  
97. Letter sign-off  
99. Verdi specialty  
100. Lyric poem  
101. Leading lady  
105. Tiny  
106. Senator \_\_\_ Lott  
107. Really clean  
110. Farm, perhaps  
112. Draw with acid  
113. Bureaucracy by-prod-  
uct  
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1. "Seven veils" dancer  
2. Self-important  
3. Concerning  
4. Claim  
5. Auction or mountain

- ending  
6. Tropical fish  
7. Spanish card game  
8. Actor \_\_\_ Kilmer  
9. Significant years  
10. Heavy on the calories  
11. "Diana" composer  
12. Textile maker  
13. Correspondent \_\_\_ Pyle  
14. Publication ID  
15. Filmmaker \_\_\_ Gibson  
16. Howl  
17. Their bells may jingle  
18. Indian prince  
23. Valley  
26. Declare  
29. Black, green, etc.  
31. Inventor Elias \_\_\_  
32. Put back on the heat  
34. Having a tendency  
36. Holbrook, et al.  
38. Exodus menu  
39. Ruhr city  
40. Vichy export  
42. Line up  
44. Keep going  
47. Northern lights  
48. \_\_\_ Beach, Fla.  
49. Discharge, in a way  
50. Renowned puppeteer  
51. Summarize  
52. Most gracious  
54. Holier \_\_\_ thou  
55. Prepared for all comers  
56. Actress \_\_\_ Brennan  
57. Coasters  
59. Guitar sound  
60. Handle  
61. Let fall: var.  
66. He-man-ish quality  
68. Transition  
69. More up-to-date  
70. Target of certain snakes



71. Horse-drawn carriage  
74. Tournaments  
76. Cash providers  
79. Interstate: abbr.  
80. The Levant  
81. Weapons  
82. Tanker insignia  
83. Fixed on one's purpose  
84. With thoroughness  
86. Cage's "Leaving Las Ve-

- gas" co-star  
88. Pier  
89. More than tanned  
92. Sears  
93. Future french fries  
96. Gaze fixedly  
98. Pro sports big shot  
99. Madison Square Garden,  
e.g.  
101. Dull pain

102. Icelandic poetry  
103. Fast flyers  
104. Bridge  
106. WWII Japanese naval  
base  
108. Lipinski's milieu  
109. Mighty Joe Young, for  
one  
111. Bill and \_\_\_  
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## Luke

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stayed at home. I took it as an opportunity to work on my game some more and get better.

### 'Nique: How has your game changed over the summer?

Schenscher: I've been working on improving in all areas. I've been working on shooting jump and hook shots as well as lateral quickness and explosiveness. Just trying to get better in all areas.

### 'Nique: Who has improved the most over the summer?

Schenscher: Jarrett Jack is doing awesome in all of the workouts. He's dominating in scrimmages. He's definitely someone that is looking real good at the moment.

### 'Nique: How has losing Clarence Moore and Marvin Lewis affected your team?

Schenscher: I think that it's affected us. Look at [Moore], it's not like we've lost him, he's still around in our ears trying to get us into gear. Marvin obviously wasn't the vocal leader, but he was the leader on the court with his shooting. We've got some guys coming in that are working on their shooting. What we lose in certain areas, we gain in other areas. We have Jeremis [Smith] coming in who is like another [Moore]. He's just real athletic and he has a lot of heart when he plays. I think that we have

five seniors now, so we have guys who can step up and be leaders.

### 'Nique: Was it disappointing when Coach Hewitt decided not to play against the Australian national team?

Schenscher: It was—I was looking forward to it, but I can understand it. We didn't have that many players, and he wanted to rest a few guys. It would have been great to play in front of my friends and family.

### 'Nique: How difficult was it to adjust to the dialect?

Schenscher: I was used to it because we watch all the American movies and TV shows like *Seinfeld* and *The Simpsons*. The hardest thing was people understanding me. I had to talk a lot slower to people and a lot clearer. A lot of phrases that I would say people wouldn't understand. That took awhile to get used to. When I go back home, they say that I speak American.

### 'Nique: Do Australians drink Foster's?

Schenscher: Not too many. I don't drink it myself. I find it pretty disgusting.

### 'Nique: What is a good Australian beer?

Schenscher: My favorite beer is Cooper's Pale Ale. It's actually brewed in my hometown, and I can go to Mac's [in Atlanta], and they sell it there.

# Hurricanes blow past Jackets



By Christopher Gooley/STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

James Butler and KaMichael Hall watch as Roscoe Parrish runs into the endzone for a touchdown late in the third quarter.

By Geoff Davies  
Contributing Writer

The No. 4 ranked Miami Hurricane football team blew into Atlanta last Saturday afternoon and left town with a resounding 27-3 victory over the Yellow Jackets.

At the press conference after the game, Head Coach Chan Gailey said, "I told [the team] we didn't execute well enough to win. We went out there and fought hard. I didn't question their fight. We did some

decent things in certain areas, but we just couldn't finish it off."

Tech got off to a strong start. On the first play from scrimmage, sophomore running back Chris Woods ripped off a 56-yard run down to the Miami 11-yard line. Woods was starting in place of injured standout running back P.J. Daniels.

Unfortunately, Tech could not take advantage of his long run. After only three more running plays, Tech was forced to settle for a field goal.

This drive set Tech's tone for the

rest of the game: a team held back by its own shortcomings. The field goal, by redshirt freshman Travis Bell, gave Tech a 3-0 lead. They would not score again.

Miami went on to score on each of their next two possessions. They tied the game with a 49-yard field goal from Jon Peattie and then took the lead with a 12-yard touchdown pass from quarterback Brock Berlin to Roscoe Parrish. The pass was low, but Parrish dug it out at the five-yard line, turned and scored. The first quarter would end with Miami leading 10-3.

Reggie Ball struggled in the passing game for the second straight week, completing just eight of 25 passes for 68 yards, while throwing three interceptions. He did, however, manage to run for 60 yards on the ground, but it was not enough.

In the second half, the Tech defense seemed to settle down. After giving up a touchdown on the opening drive of the half, they managed to hold Miami scoreless the rest of the game. Junior linebacker Chris Reis stood out with two and a half sacks to go along with four tackles.

After the game, Reis said, "We showed a lot of heart and made some big plays... they just made more big plays than us."

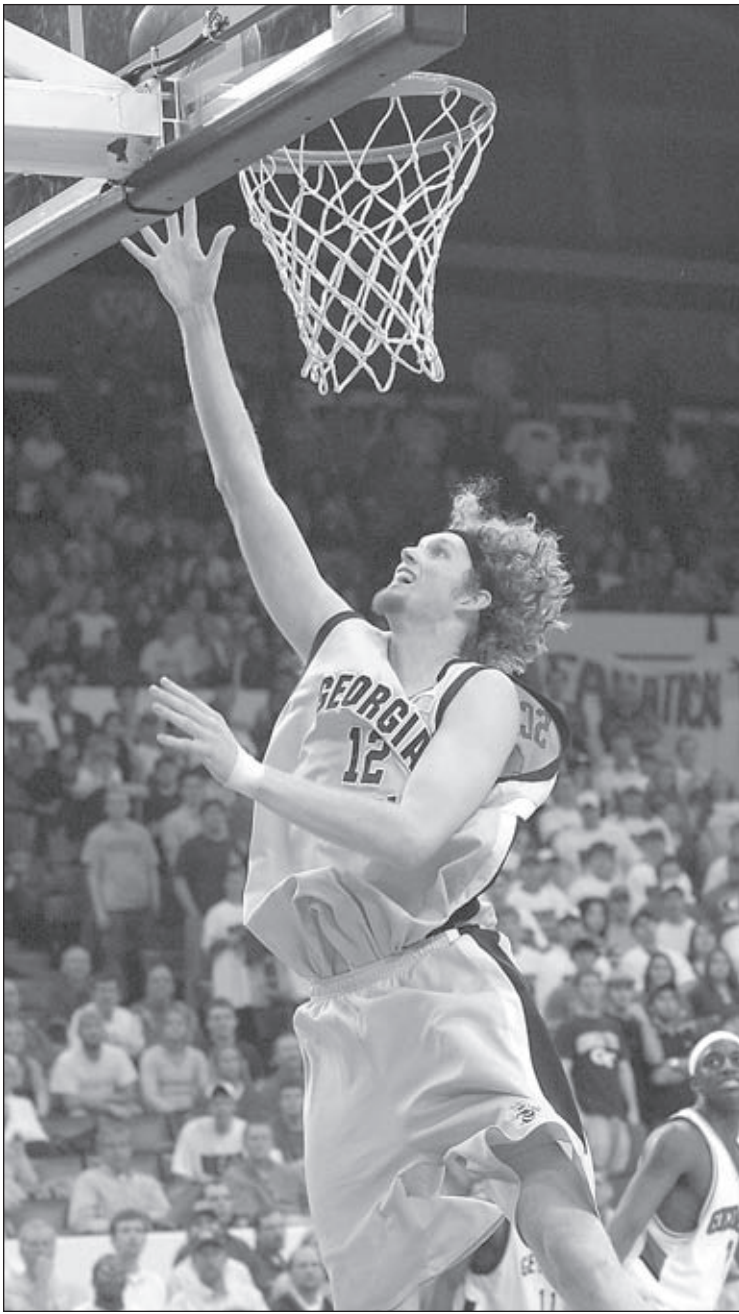
The Yellow Jackets still lead the overall series against the Hurricanes, 6-4.

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# ramblin' with Luke Schenscher

By Michael Clarke

senior basketball



By Jamie Howell / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Luke Schenscher scores for the Jackets against Georgia. Basketball will begin practice for the upcoming season in mid-October.

Perhaps the most widely recognized of all Tech athletes, Luke Schenscher is a player whose height knows no bounds. Not since Luc Longley, a key player on several of the Chicago Bulls' championship teams, has another Australian athlete been so nationally known.

This week Schenscher sat down with, or rather, towered over, the *Nique* to talk about his posse, the game he loves and, of course, Foster's Beer.

**'Nique: Has playing in the national championship game changed you?**

Schenscher: I don't think it has. To me, playing in the national championship, it didn't feel like there was any extra pressure on me, and it was one of those things where it was a game, and I look at it as a great experience playing in front of all those people.

**'Nique: What were your thoughts when you found out about the "Luke Schenscher has a Posse" t-shirts?**

Schenscher: I saw the stickers on campus, and I saw it the first time at a stop sign on the Stinger. I thought that was pretty crazy. It was good to know that students around campus were behind me, and they were supporting me.

**'Nique: Did it take you a while to get adjust to the "Luuuuuuuuuuuuuke" chant at the games? Did you think you were being booed?**

Schenscher: Yeah, it was fun. It just kind of made me laugh every time that I went out there. It helped me to loosen up. I knew what they were doing. They used to do that to Luc Longley.

**'Nique: In the beginning of the season, you were labeled as a tall, lanky big man, and at the end of the season you were said to be a top-five center in the nation and on Dick Vitale's All-Rolls-Royce team. What do you think of the recognition, and how did you make the leap?**

Schenscher: I'm flattered that people would think of me that way. It doesn't change the way that I look at the season, or the way that I've been working out. It just makes me work out even harder knowing that people are going to be getting after

"To me, playing in the national championship, it didn't feel like there was any extra pressure on me, and it was one of those things..."

us and have our game circled on the calendar. I think that last year was a year where I had an opportunity to do things that I hadn't been able to do before. With Theo[dis Tarver] and me as the only two big guys on the team, we had to make the most of the opportunity. I was presented with an opportunity, and I made the most of it.

**'Nique: Who had a big influence on you growing up?**

Schenscher: Definitely, my parents, especially my dad. He's always telling me how proud he is of me, and it makes me feel good to know that he's proud of me. My first

basketball team that I played at the home ground was 30 minutes away from home, and I used to play two hours away from home, and they'd drive me to all of the games.

**'Nique: How often do your parents get to see you play?**

Schenscher: Dad just bought a satellite dish last year so that he could watch games on ESPN that they were showing. They saw all of the Final Four, and they saw the [Elite Eight] game. I've sent home some tapes after converting them to Australian format so that they could watch other games as well.

**'Nique: Did any other Australian player's success have an influence on you coming to America?**

Schenscher: Luc Longley, he came from my high school, and went to college for four years and then [he went] to the NBA. That kind of paved the way for other guys to do the same thing because it's possible, and it's one of the big reasons why I thought to come over here, and I talked to him about it, and he thought it was a great idea. People always compare me to him back in Australia. It's just an honor to me because he's done so much for Australian basketball.

**'Nique: How did getting so close to making the Australian Olympic team but being cut at the end effect you?**

Schenscher: It was a huge disappointment to me, [and] at the time it seemed like a big setback. I made the team a few years ago, and the next year I wasn't even invited to tryout. I just took that as an opportunity to come back here, where I could've

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# football forecast

Each week during the football season, the *Technique* will pick a list of college matchups to be played that weekend. The person who submits the list with the most correctly projected winners receives a prize. In the event of a tie, the winner is determined by the person who most accurately predicts the score of Tech’s game. To submit your picks, go to [www.nique.net/footballforecast](http://www.nique.net/footballforecast). This week’s games are:

- Tech vs. Maryland
- Texas vs. Oklahoma
- Minnesota vs. Michigan
- California vs. USC
- Tennessee vs. Georgia
- Wisconsin vs. Ohio State
- NC State vs. North Carolina
- Florida State vs. Syracuse
- LSU vs. Florida
- Virginia Tech vs. Wake Forest
- Alabama vs. Kentucky
- New Mexico vs. Air Force
- Indiana vs. Northwestern
- Oklahoma State vs. Colorado
- Rutgers vs. Vanderbilt

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**Jessica Wing-See Li**

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according to [Ramblinwreck.com](http://Ramblinwreck.com). “We also showed a lot of good team balance today offensively, and our blocking and defense continues to improve...Competing against Virginia Tech for the first time was a challenging experience.” Jayme Gergen contributed 11 kills, increasing her season hitting percentage to .380, third in the ACC. Marisa Aston held down the defense with 16 digs, followed by 10 digs from sophomore Abby Showers. As a team, the Jackets posted seven blocks, with Gergen and Mostereach rejecting three shots a piece. Setter Lindsey Laband also kept pace with 52 assists, creating even more distance between herself and the second-place assist leader in the conference. Laband’s nearly 15 assists per game are third in the nation, and the 52 in this game crept her up to ninth place on the all-time list at Tech. This performance was good enough to earn ACC Player of the Week honors—the first for Laband and the second straight week a Tech player has taken the award, after Mostere did so last week. “Everyone was pumped to play a new team, but we knew we needed to stay focused and get the system going right from the start,” said Laband, “With our growing team confidence, it’s starting to get even more exciting around here, and we feel like we’re ready for it.” The next match for Tech will be in Winston-Salem, N.C., on Friday against Wake Forest. Then the team travels to Duke on Saturday.

## Hockey from page 28

The Rumble in the Rink Thrasher Cup is an annual tournament in Savannah, Ga. The same four teams compete in it each year: Tech, University of Georgia, Florida and Florida St. It is hosted by the Savannah Chamber of Commerce and is played in the city’s local civic center. “They actually set up an ice rink in their civic center a couple of days before the tournament and then tear it down a couple days after,” Zaucha said. Sweeney considers the Rumble in the Rink tournament as important as competing for nationals. “It’s a huge tournament for us. We play in front of almost 3,000 people in the Civic Center, which for a club team is fairly important,” Sweeney said. Tech has won the Thrasher cup four times in the last six seasons. They were champions in 1999, 2001, 2002 and 2003. Last season, however, the club lost to the UGA team, which means this season’s Thrasher Cup may be filled with even more “clean, old-fashioned hate.” In addition to the match at Rumble in the Rink, Tech will play UGA twice in the

regular season. The two teams meet on Nov. 12 here in Atlanta and again on Feb. 12 in Duluth, Ga. The Tech ice hockey club is a member of the American Collegiate Hockey Association (ACHA) and competes as a South Division III team. The ACHA is composed of collegiate club teams only, and the South Division has 21 teams. Florida State, Florida, The Citadel, UGA, Texas Tech and Texas A&M are just some teams that compete in the South Division with Tech. Every year the top three teams from the South Division compete in the national tournament. Head Coach Greg Stathis is in his 14th year at the helm and now has 195 wins with Tech. The players are eager to celebrate his 200th win, which will almost certainly come this season. “Hopefully it will be five games from now,” Sweeney said. The players hope a lot of fans will be watching when Stathis achieves this milestone, and the players hope to give an entertaining performance. “It’s a quick game and exciting, and it’s physical, a lot of hitting. It’s a good thing to do on a Friday night if there nothing else to do. The rink is only a 20-minute drive away,” Zaucha said.

## Terps from page 28

The Tech ties don’t end with Friedgen. In addition to the Terps head coach, other members of the Maryland front office have ties to the North Avenue Trade School, such as offensive coordinator Charlie Taaffe, who was a graduate assistant in the ‘70s, defensive line coach Dave Sol-lazzo, who was the defensive tackles coach under George O’Leary and the latest defector, Bill O’Brien, who had been with the Tech program for several years, which ended in a tenure as offensive coordinator. Coaches are not the only people Maryland has lured from the state of Georgia; the Terps have five players from the Peach State: guard C.J. Brooks (Morrow HS), linebacker Tim Cesa (Harrison HS), kicker Obi Egekeze (Westside HS), tackle Stephon Heyer (Brookwood HS) and quarterback Joel Statham (Murray Country HS). In contrast, Tech’s roster does not include a single player from Maryland. In order to claim their second road victory for this season, the Jackets will have to snap Maryland’s 13-game home winning streak at Byrd Stadium. The Jackets will certainly have plenty of motivation between the blossoming rivalry with the Terrapins and the sense of urgency resulting from the Jackets dropping their past two contests. Demonstrating the importance of this game, Gailey said, “[The Tech football players] take a lot of pride in their play individually and understand what’s at stake for the team and care about that deeply.”



# GEORGIA TECH (2-2) VS. MARYLAND (3-1)

By Vishal Patel



Tech, even before midseason, has seemingly hit its peak and its trough. The team is dealing with its largest consecutive losses since 1995, but looks to rebound against a nationally ranked Maryland team. The Jackets hope to see improvement with the return of P.J. Daniels, who missed the last two games, to the offense and a fully healthy Eric Henderson to the defense. Tech's key to winning this week is minimizing the turnovers that took them out of the game last week.

**"We are going to make plans to have someone ready to go this week, and put somebody in just to give [them] the opportunity if that situation arises."**

## Chan Gailey

Tech head coach on rumors of replacing Ball



## Four Key Questions

### • Who will play quarterback, and can the Jackets throw it deep?

"Reggie is the starter." Those are the concise, yet definitive words from Tech Head Coach Chan Gailey. However, it seems more and more likely after last week's game that someone else will see time as quarterback if Ball does not get out a good start. This rumor is strengthened by an alarming stat: Ball averages 12.7 yards per completion while averaging 26.6 yards on pass attempts resulting in an interception. This fact is alarming because Ball has thrown for over 20 yards 14 times this season—six of which have resulted in interceptions. Despite this, Gailey will call the deep ball. To counter this move, opposing defenses have cracked down on freshman wideout Calvin Johnson, who has been limited to four catches for 55 yards after his stellar three-touchdown performance against Clemson.

### • How difficult will it be for the Jackets to win at College Park?

Maryland's 13-game home winning streak, which includes games from last season and the year before, is a statistic to be feared. However, Tech is one of the better ACC teams at Byrd Stadium, posting a 4-3 record there. Another important thing to note is that Maryland Head Coach Ralph Friedgen and the Terps are 35-0 all-time when leading at the half. This statistic is bad news for the Jackets, who have been mired in first-half slumps for each of their past three games.

### • Can the rising Jackets defense stop the ACC's most balanced offensive attack?

Maryland is coming off of a colossal 685-yard offensive performance, which resulted in 35 first downs with only 100 plays from scrimmage against Duke. To get an idea of just how great of an offensive production Maryland put up against Duke, Tech has 623 total yards of offensive production resulting in 32 first downs from 135 plays—all in the last two games.

### • How do the Jackets bounce back from consecutive 20-point losses?

The best way to rebound from any slump is to go back to the basics, and the basics for the Jackets' offense, in Gailey's reign, has always been the run. Look for the Jackets to mix Daniels, Woods, Ball and Bilbo in a running attack that will try to bring the Maryland safeties in and away from Calvin Johnson, Nate Curry and Levon Thomas—Tech's outlets for the deep pass. Given that Maryland's rushing defense has allowed over 140 yards per game, if the Jackets can stick to their game plan, then they will be able to snap Maryland's winning streak at home.

Maryland started the season slowly, but its offense has recently started to perform well. The season opener against Northern Illinois was a sloppy game for the Maryland offense. Luckily, All-ACC kicker Nick Novak, who kicked three field goals in the game, with two for over 40 yards, bailed the Terrapins out. Maryland's offense finally came alive after their game against Temple with a 45-point performance in a thrilling overtime loss to then-No. 7 West Virginia.

**"Reggie Ball is a very competitive kid. I was very impressed with him last year as a true freshman playing against us. He runs extremely hard and has a strong arm."**

## Ralph Friedgen

Maryland head coach



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Old Spice held a contest to find Tech's best man to market its new product. Find out who won... Page 9

## KWELLER ROCKS

This past weekend the indie rocker brought his unique stage presence to the Arena at Gwinnett Center. Page 15



## Looking to stop skid, football heads to College Park to face Terrapins

By Vishal Patel  
Contributing Writer

Perhaps the most underappreciated and unknown ACC rivalry is the matchup set to take place in College Park, Md. this weekend. Although this is the 17th meeting between Tech and Maryland since 1988, the rivalry has only taken flight in recent years with the teams splitting the last four games in the series, including last year's Thursday night defensive stand where Tech earned a 7-3 victory.

That home victory for Tech came at the heels of a fantastic defensive effort led by "a lot of blitzing" according to defensive end Travis Parker at Tuesday's press conference. The Jacket defense held Maryland to only 253 yards from scrimmage and forced two interceptions and five fumbles, including one that set up the game's only touchdown in what may have been their best defensive game of last season.

In the post-game conference after the victory, Tech Head Coach Chan

Gailey said, "Unbelievable. Unbelievable. You know, they played great and you say that it would be hard for them to play better. They played better this week than they had played before. I was amazed at the job that they did. I was really impressed."

Adding to the rivalry, Maryland Head Coach Ralph Friedgen had a nine-year tenure as offensive coordinator and quarterbacks coach at Tech under Bobby Ross and George O'Leary. In addition to the fact that Friedgen and Gailey have been pinned against each other on opposite sidelines three times already on the college gridiron, the two have met on the professional level as well. Friedgen was an offensive coordinator with the San Diego Chargers and Gailey was a receivers coach with the Pittsburgh Steelers. Coincidentally, their record on opposing sides in the NFL was a dead heat, with each team winning twice.

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By Christopher Gooley / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Tech ran past Maryland 7-3 last year at Bobby Dodd Stadium.

## Lady Jackets sweep VaTech Volleyball atop ACC; Wake Forest matchup ahead



By Christopher Gooley / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Lynnette Moster records a dig for the Yellow Jackets. The two-time All-American outside hitter is second in the ACC in service aces and third in kills.

By John Scaduto  
Contributing Writer

Last Sunday, volleyball became only the second Tech athletic program to play a new ACC expansion team. They swept Virginia Tech in three games: 30-23, 30-22, 30-25. With the win, the Yellow Jackets have the best record in the Atlantic Coast Conference, 4-0, and improve to 9-5 overall. The match started off close, with

Virginia Tech feeding on its home court advantage in the first game to stick with the Jackets point for point until a timeout by the home team when the Jackets pulled ahead 16-12. The Jackets then broke away from the Hokies to win the first game.

In the second game, Tech took a 7-2 lead with a five-point run, hitting .326 for the game and setting the tone for the rest of the match. The Hokies

at one point rallied to tie the third game 13-13, but the Lady Jackets went ahead 25-20 and never looked back.

Tech continued to improve on the offensive side, posting a .328 hit percentage for the match. Even more impressive was the defensive performance, as the Hokies hit .193. Outside hitters Lynnette Moster and Lauren Sauer recorded 19 and 15 kills, respectively. The duo currently ranks

third and sixth on the ACC kills leader board, reestablishing the aura of dominance that took the team to a league title last season.

"Lauren Sauer had a gutty performance today... She was sick before the match, but [she] stuck it out and put together one of her best offensive performances of the season," said Head Coach Bond Shymansky,

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## Ice hockey club looks to win fifth Thrasher Cup

By Patrick Odneal  
Contributing Writer

Tech ice hockey picked up its second win of the season against the University of Florida, winning 4-3 in a contest played in Jacksonville. The Jackets' record is now 2-1 on their young season.

Prior to the Florida game, the Jackets split two games against Vanderbilt. They downed the Commodores 5-4 on Sept. 24 and then lost 5-2 the next day.

In the Sept. 24 game, Vanderbilt took the early lead and had a 1-0 advantage at the end of the first period, but the Jackets came back strong in the second period. Club President Matt Sweeney and defenseman Nathan Kirby both scored goals to give Tech a 2-1 lead going into the third period.

Vanderbilt would not go down

quietly, however. Just 50 seconds into the final period, Vanderbilt's Craig Murphy tied the game 2-2, but the Jackets did not relent. Chris Beareguard, Nathan Kirby and Christian Gattung rallied Tech in the third period, scoring three straight

Florida and won 4-3, but the game was not as close as the final score.

"It was 4-1 with three minutes left. They got a couple of lucky bounces that I still don't know how they went in," said Mike Zaucha, starting center.

This year's team looks to continue the successful tradition of previous years. Founded in 1973, the Tech ice hockey club is one of the oldest and most successful club sports on campus. The team

has won many division championships over the years and has competed in just as many national title tournaments. However, most notably, the team has won the Thrasher Cup four times.



By Christopher Gooley / STUDENT PUBLICATIONS

Ice hockey fights UGA last year. The team's roster and more info is available at [www.cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/ice\\_hockey/main.html](http://www.cyberbuzz.gatech.edu/ice_hockey/main.html).

Date	Opponent	Time
Fri. Oct. 15	Florida Gulf	9:30 p.m.
Sat. Oct. 16	Duke	6:00 p.m.
Sat. Oct. 30	South Florida	6:00 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 5	Tulane	9:30 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 6	Florida	6:00 p.m.
Fri. Nov. 12	UGA	9:30 p.m.
Sat. Nov. 13	Florida State	6:00 p.m.

goals en route to a 5-3 season-opening victory.

In the Sept. 25 game, the Jackets lost 5-2 with Brian O'Connor and Christian Gattung scoring the two goals for Tech, both of which came in the second period.

The Jackets then traveled to

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